**Unofficial minutes** 

A Special Meeting of the Kiowa County Commissioners was called to order at 1:00 p.m. by Chairman Richard Scott on December 8, 2015. Those attending were:

Richard Scott, Commissioner Cindy McLoud, Commissioner Donald Oswald, Commissioner Delisa Weeks, County Clerk Tina Adamson, Administrator

Sheriff Sheridan and newly appointed Undersheriff Jake Six entered the meeting to discuss salaries for the deputies. Sheriff Sheridan said he is having a hard time getting anyone to apply for the deputy position due to the salary and the duties they must fulfill. Sheriff Sheridan went onto say that the Sheriff's Office has put roughly \$128,000.00 in County General for the 2015 year on citations being issued. Sheriff said these figures will be going down if he cannot get deputies hired. The Sheriff asked the BOCC if they would consider an increase in salaries for his deputies. After discussion Chairman Scott moved to approve the increase in salaries for the following positions:

Deputy -- \$32,000

Sergeant - 32,511.00

Undersheriff -- \$36,566.00

McLoud seconded the motion. All voted Affirmative. Sheriff Sheridan stated that he would not need the part-time salary in the Jail budget. Administrator Adamson said she would make the adjustment to the part-time salary in the Jail Budget for the 2016 year. Sheriff Sheridan and Undersheriff Six thanked the Board and exited the meeting.

Administrator Adamson reported she had made corrections to the salary positions to Emergency Management and to the Public Health position. Adamson also reported that Jay Haase, County Fire Chief would receive an increase in pay as well as Jack Howard for the Ambulance Maintenance Contract.

The 2016 Budget can be reviewed at the Commissioner's Office.

Oswald moved to adopt the 2016 Kiowa County Budget as presented. McLoud seconded the motion. All Commissioners voted Affirmative.

Oswald moved and McLoud seconded to approve and sign the RESOLUTION TO ADOPT THE 2016 BUDGET, the RESOLUTION TO SET MILL LEVIES and the RESOLUTION TO APPROPRIATE SUMS OF MONEY. All Commissioners voted Affirmative.

With no further business, Oswald moved and McLoud seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:48 p.m. All Commissioners voted Affirmative.

The next regular meeting will be December 15, 2015.

ATTEST:	APPROVED:
Delisa L. Weeks	Richard Scott
Kiowa County Clerk	Chairman